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For: Photonic Crystal Having Hetero

Structure And Optical Device Using

The Photonic Crystal

Dear Mr. Oliff:

This letter is in response to your communication received 04 January 2008, requesting the status of the U.S. national stage application 10/584,942.

The United States Designated Office/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) has docketed the U.S. national application for preparation of the Filing Receipt. However, the USPTO is currently experiencing a backlog of applications awaiting examination. The filing receipt should issue in due course. The appropriate personnel of the Designated Office/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) to which this application has been assigned have been notified of your request.

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